

DRAFT SUMMARY MINUTES

Delta Protection Commission Meeting Thursday, March 17, 2016

Ryde Hotel 14340 State Highway 160, Walnut Grove, CA 95690

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

1. Call to Order/Flag Salute

Acting Chair Villegas called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m. and initiated the flag salute.

2. Roll Call

Present: Commissioners Cabaldon, Ferguson, Richardson, Lofthus, van Loben Sels, Villegas, Winn, White, Ferrara, Lester Moffitt and Ex-Officio Commissioner Frazier. Subsequent to the roll call, Commissioner Bugsch arrived at 5:40 p.m., Commissioner Nomellini arrived at 5:45 p.m. and Ex-Officio Commissioner Galgiani arrived at 5:47 p.m. Absent (with no alternate present): Chair Piepho, Vice Chair Thomson and Commissioner Nottoli. A quorum was established with 12 Commissioners present at 5:45 p.m.

3. Welcome and Public Comment. Opportunity for the Public to Address the Commission Regarding Items Not on the Agenda

Acting Chair Villegas welcomed the other members of the Commission, staff, and audience, with a special introduction of new Commission member Chuck Winn representing San Joaquin County. He asked for public comment and the following individuals spoke: Mr. Frank Nielsen (Green Planet Maps) and Ms. Melinda Terry, North Delta Water Agency and California Central Valley Flood Control Association.

CONSENT AGENDA

4. Approval of January 21, 2016 Meeting Minutes

MOTION: It was moved by Commissioner Cabaldon and seconded by Commissioner Lofthus to approve the January 21, 2016 meeting minutes; in a voice vote, the motion carried unanimously with all Commissioners voting "aye" but Bugsch and Nomellini (not yet arrived at meeting).

REGULAR AGENDA

5. Receive Executive Director report

Executive Director Vink provided an update on the following items: Delta Heritage Initiative, Delta as Place Interagency Working Group, Delta Region Agricultural Analysis, Delta Flood Risk Management Assessment District Feasibility Study, Delta Leadership Program, Commission land use comments, 2016 Legislative Session, budget update and upcoming events.

6. Receive Delta Protection Advisory Committee (DPAC) report and consider revision to DPAC Charter.

Acting Chair Villegas introduced DPAC Chair Mark Pruner, who reported on the January 19 DPAC meeting and a recommendation to amend the DPAC charter to provide additional public members.

Discussion ensued among Commissioners about the additional public members. Mr. Pruner agreed to bring the matter back to the next DPAC meeting for further review.

Acting Chair Villegas asked for public comment and there was none.

7. Receive report on Delta Consumptive Use Study – Michael George, Delta Watermaster

Acting Chair Villegas introduced Mr. Michael George, Delta Watermaster, who gave an update of activities: comparative study of consumptive use in the Delta; report on 2015 Diversion Reduction Program among in-Delta riparian users; salinity hot spots in the Delta; implementation of new measurement regulations per Senate Bill 88; enforcement actions and consolidating drought lessons and data.

Acting Chair Villegas asked for public comment and Ms. Melinda Terry, North Delta Water Agency and California Central Valley Flood Control Association, spoke.

8. Receive report on Drought Update and Delta Water Conditions – Paul Marshall, DWR Bay-Delta Office Chief

Acting Chair Villegas introduced Mr. Paul Marshall, DWR Bay-Delta Office Chief, who gave a presentation on drought and Delta water conditions.

Acting Chair Villegas asked for public comment and there was none.

9. Presentation to outgoing Commission Members

Acting Chair Villegas presented outgoing Commissioner Norman Richardson with a certificate of appreciation.

10. Commissioner Comments/Announcements

Acting Chair Villegas asked for Commissioner comments or announcements and Ex-Officio Commissioner Frazier spoke about his Assembly Bill 2583.

11. Adjourn

Acting Chair Villegas adjourned the meeting at 7:11 p.m.